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In re Application of:

Moss et al.

Serial No.: 10/078,322

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HITCH

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Sir:

Applicants submit herewith Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal for the above-captioned application and a check in the amount of \$1,015.00 in payment therefor plus ten (10) copies of the patent when issued.

Also, enclosed is an Amendment Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) (18 pages), plus attached Replacement Sheets of Drawings (2 sheets) and Annotated Sheets Showing Changes Made (2 sheets); and Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance (2 pages).

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Applicants understand that no additional fees are required. However, if the Office determines that any comparison fees or other additional fees are required, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any such fees to TraskBritt Deposit Account No. 20-1469. A copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed for deposit account charging purposes.

Respectfully submitted,



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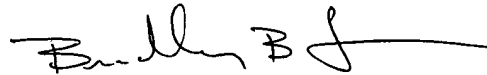
Sir:

The Examiner indicates:

The prior art fails to disclose a mount securable to the base at a first position juxtaposed adjacent the trunnion and a second position wherein the mount extends in a second direction opposite from the base; and a hitch coupled with the mount, including a first ball and second ball which are formed together as a homogenous monolith of a single material.

Applicants concur with the reasons as stated by the Examiner insofar as they comprise a summary, and are exemplary and not limiting. However, the independent claims as allowed include other and different language than that specified by the Examiner, and the allowed dependent claims include other and further features and elements. Accordingly, the scope of the claims must be determined from the literal language of each as a whole, as well as equivalents thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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